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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

We are consumers who oppose the USTelecom petition, as it would decimate fair competition. We support broadband competition.

At&T was always the primary telephone service, through the years their customer service deteriorated and we decided to change companies.

It was the best decision we ever made. Sonic has provided us with the service we needed, without problems, they provide excellent customer service on a consistent basis. If there were no competition, we would be forced to stay with AT&T, suffering the frustration that they are, we had never been so frustrated in dealing with a service company in many, many years.

There needs to be fair competition in order to ensure that companies IMPROVE their service, so that they do not continue to raise prices unfairly and without accountability.

There needs to be competition to ensure that new and improved services are available, competition encourages growth and invention as well.

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